

A RESOLUTION BY

BY COUNCILMEMBER FELICIA A. MOORE

RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT **MAYOR** OR HIS DESIGNEE **ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF FINANCIAL** ASSISTANCE FOR SENIOR AND LOW AND MODERATE INCOME CITIZENS TO OFFSET THE **IMPENDING** WATER AND **SEWER** RATE INCREASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta operates several Water Reclamation and Pumping Facilities for the purpose of removing for drinking and cleaning its waste and storm water for deposit back into the Chattahoochee River and other tributaries; and

WHEREAS, the Waste Water and Water Departments are preparing to do major renovations and improvements to these facilities and will have to raise both water and sewer rates to pay for the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Atlanta (rate payers) will be faced with a rate increase of 30% or more over the next three years to help pay for these improvements; and

WHEREAS, the average citizen of Atlanta cannot afford this type of increase, since roughly 24.4% of Atlanta households have annual incomes of less than \$15,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Federal and State Governments are requiring these upgrades and no funds are available from either entity to shift this awesome burden away from the rate payers of Atlanta; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of Atlanta are keenly aware of the problems the city faces with its water issues as mandated by the Clean Water Act, Safe Drinking Water Act and the 1998/9 Consent Decree Orders; however, they are also concerned with providing for their families, paying taxes and just trying to survive in a slowing economy.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA; that the Mayor or his designees (Finance, Public Works and Water Departments) are requested to collaborate to develop alternatives in assisting senior and low and moderate income citizens with paying the proposed increases.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designees (Finance, Public Works and Water Departments) are to explore installments, private donations, grants from the Governor's Office of Community Affairs, private trust funds, the City's Care and Conserve Fund, etc.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designee seek other funding mechanisms via grant proposals and low interest loan applications and report their requests and findings to Council through the City Utilities Committee in ten (10) days.

AND FINALLY, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

A true copy.

ADOPTED by the Council APPROVED by the Mayor

flunicipal Clerk, CMC

NOV 19, 2001

NOV 27, 2001

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Atlanta City Council

Regular Session

CONSENT

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SEE ATTACHED LISTING OF ITEMS ADOPTED/ADVERSED

ON CONSENT AGENDA

ADOPT

YEAS: 12

NAYS: **ABSTENTIONS:** 0

NOT VOTING:

1 EXCUSED: 0

ABSENT 3

Reconsidered

Without

Objection

Y McCarty B Starnes Y Bond

Y Winslow

B Dorsey Y Woolard B Morris

Y Muller

Y Moore Y Martin Y Maddox Y Boazman Y Thomas Y Emmons

Y Alexander NV Pitts

(See RCS # 3272)

ITEM (S) REMOVED FROM **CONSENT AGENDA**

01-0-1653

01-0-1788

01-0-1789

01-0-1887

11/19/01 Council Meeting

ITEMS ADOPTED ON CONSENT AGENDA

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16. 01-O-1735

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- 24. 01-O-1897
- 25. 01-O-1898
- 26. 01-O-1905
- 27. 01-O-1697
- 28. 01-O-1726
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- 30. 01-R-1603
- 31. 01-R-1781
- 32. 01-R-1784
- 33. 01-R-1785
- 34. 01-R-1803
- 35. 01-R-1804
- 36. 01-R-1804
- 37. 01-R-1806
- 38. 01-R-1924

□3rd □V Vote ☐ MRC Vote FINAL COUNCIL ACTION CERTIFIED Readings □1st & 2nd MAYOR'S A Consent □2ng Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side) Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side) Committee Committee Members Members Refer To Refer To Action: Chair Action: Date Date Chair First Reading Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side) Fav, Adv, Hold (see rev. side) Committee **Aembers** Members Refer To Refer To Action: Other: Action: Other: Chair Date Chair Referred to Committee Date ADOPTED BY NOV 1 9 2001 COUNCIL OF. FOR AND REGUESTING THAT THE MAYOR OR HIS EXPLORE MODERATE INCOME CITIZENS TO OFFSET THE IMPENDING WATER AND SEWER RATE INCREASES; 1st ADOPT 2nd READ & REFER BY COUNCILMEMBER FELICIA MOORE (Do Not Write Above This Line) REGULAR REPORT REFER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. PERSONAL PAPER REFER 01- 🅂 -1871 ASSISTANCE MEANS LOW ADVERTISE & REFER CONSENT REFER A RESOLUTION BY RESOLUTION ALTERNATIVE Date Referred Date Referred Date Referred Referred To: Referred To: Referred To: FINANCIAL DESIGNEE SENIOR 0000